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Applicant wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention U.S. Patent No. 5,251,491 that was made of record in co-pending and commonly owned U.S. Patent application Serial No. 10/027,244 that is currently pending before the Examiner of the present application and relates to similar subject matter.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience should the Examiner have any questions regarding this matter or require any additional information.

Respectfully submitted,
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